

KNIGHTDALE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, North Carolina 27545

June 17, 2015

The Knightdale Public Safety Committee met at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers of Town Hall.

Present:

Councilman James Roberson, Councilman Mike Chalk

Staff Members Present:

Tim Guffey, Fire Chief; Lawrence Capps, Police Chief; Town Manager,

Seth Lawless

Councilman Roberson called the meeting to order at 6pm. The minutes from the April 15th PSC meeting were reviewed and approved.

Chief Capps provided an update on the selection and hiring process for the police officer vacancies. PD and HR completed the cognitive testing portion of the process, and are coordinating dates and times for physical testing and oral interviews.

Chief Capps shared concerns from residents and HOA members in Emerald Pointe regarding ongoing speeding issues. The result of an earlier speed study, along with the enforcement and safety education responses by PD, were shared with the group. Emerald Pointe residents seem adamant in having the speed limit reduced from 25mph to 15mph. Several issues related to such a decision were discussed, and Chief Capps agreed to meet with residents to discuss alternatives ahead of implementing a speed limit change.

The review of the Community Relations Board proposal was completed. PSC recommended changing language to show official title as "Community Policing Advisory Board." The proposal will undergo a final review at the next PSC meeting before presentation to Council for adoption.

Chief Guffey formally announced the retirement of Captain Goley Boggs, set to take effect July 31st. Chief Guffey requested town officials to join him in thanking Captain Boggs for his many years of dedicated service to the Town of Knightdale.

Chief Guffey briefly discussed a requirement for formal Crowd Management training through OSFM ahead of the July 4th Celebration at Knightdale Station Park. The training is to be provided in an online format, with police, fire, EMS, and Parks & Rec personnel participating.

Chief Guffey announced the expiration of the FEMA Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Grant. The Fire Department plans to renew the grant in order to staff its facility and shift crews with adequate manpower in the years to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

Councilman James Roberson Committee Chairman